

The Russian government, on the 19th, abolished the censorship in the case of all telegrams going abroad.

The Hanover (Germany) Courier reported, on the 17th, that several vessels would go up the Mississippi to be present at the opening of the St. Louis exposition.

The state department, on the 18th, received and accepted the resignation of W. L. Buchanan, the American minister to Panama. No successor was appointed.

Henry Michaelson, supervisor of Pikes Peak forestry reserve, and a well-known writer on irrigation and forestry matters, died, on the 19th, at Denver, Col., of pneumonia, aged 60 years.

The Kentucky house of representatives, on the 18th, adopted a resolution expressing sorrow for the death of Senator Hanna and adjourning out of respect to the memory of the dead senator.

In the Kentucky senate, on the 17th, resolutions paying tribute to the memory of the late Senator Hanna were adopted by a rising vote, and the senate adjourned as a further mark of respect.

Seaman Kane, of the United States cruiser Boston, while preparing a six-inch gun for target practice at Panama, on the 19th, was struck by the breech lock of the gun and instantly killed.

The Baltimore (Md.) city government resumed its regular routine business in the various departments for the first time on the 19th. The dynamiting of standing walls in the burned district was continued.

Every coal mine in the central Pennsylvania bituminous coal region was closed on the 19th. The sixty thousand miners, following the request of John Mitchell, paid this tribute to Senator Hanna's memory.

Capt. Kurakami, commander of the Japanese armored ship Chitose, on the 19th presented the emperor of Japan the short-trunk flag of the Russian cruisers Varang and Korietz, which were sunk at Chemulpo on the 9th.

Secretary of State Hay was informed, on the 19th, that Edwin V. Morgan would not be granted an exequatur by the Russian government, authorizing him to act as United States consul at Dalny, near Port Arthur.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, arrived at San Juan, P. I., on the 18th, from the United States and received a cordial welcome from labor representatives. He afterwards visited Gov. Hunt.

Brig.-Gen. George F. Elliott, commander of the United States marine corps, with his aid-de-camp, Capt. Henry Leonard, sailed from Colon for New Orleans, on the 18th, by the steamer Colonian, on his way to St. Louis.

It was announced, on the 16th, that Dr. Anita Newcomb Magee, prominently identified with the American hospital service during the Spanish war, would take to Japan a corps of trained nurses for hospital service with the Japanese army.

Lucretia Willard Treat, a pioneer kindergarten teacher and well known throughout the country, died, on the 16th, at Grand Rapids, Mich., of heart failure. She was prominent in many states as a kindergarten lecturer, writer and organizer.

Millers in Chicago, on the 18th, paid \$1.07 a bushel for No. 2 red wheat. Wheat for May delivery sold at 99 1/2¢ a bushel, a gain of an even two cents. Scarcity of wheat suitable for milling purposes was the important factor in causing the advance.

Col. Theodore Bruback, one of the wealthiest and best-known mining men of Utah, was accidentally killed at Park City, Utah, on the 18th. While ascending a ladder Mr. Bruback lost his hold and fell, striking his head and breaking his neck.

Dr. Nicholas Senn, of Chicago, one of the organizers of the Japanese Red Cross society, who offered his services to the mikado during the war between Russia and Japan, on the 15th received a cablegram saying that his services would not be needed.

Dr. J. C. Hill, who entered Mexico more than a half century ago as a member of an invading army and then became the protégé of the very government he had gone to fight, died at Monterey, Mex., on the 18th, of debility resulting from old age.

The Russian government, on the 18th, informed the state department that, owing to its inability to make what it regarded as a suitable display of Russian products at the Louisiana Purchase exposition, it had abandoned the idea of making an exhibit.

At the Kansas state penitentiary, at Lansing, Kas., on the 16th, officers from St. Louis positively identified as William Rudolph, the Union (Mo.) bank robber, who escaped from St. Louis last year, the prisoner "Gorney," undergoing sentence for robbing a safe at Louisville, Kas.

The experts at the United sub-treasury in New York city, on the 18th, discovered that Brooklyn, N. Y., was being flooded with an extraordinarily good counterfeit "Buffalo" ten-dollar bill. About fifteen of these bills were turned in by banks and nearly every bill came from Brooklyn.

Marcus A. Hanna, United States senator from Ohio, and one of the foremost figures in American public life, died, on the 15th, at Washington, of typhoid fever, after an illness of two weeks. He passed away peacefully and without pain. All members of the family were at the bedside when the end came.

The president, on the 18th, sent to the senate the following nominations: Consuls—Wm. Ross Davis, Ohio, at Martinique, W. L. John F. Jewell, Illinois, at Alexandrette, Turkey.

The first section of Lake Shore fast train No. 15, running at full speed, telescoped a freight that was standing on the Ashtabula (O.) bridge on the 19th. The caboose and four cars of merchandise were burned.

Abner McKinley's condition was reported slightly improved on the 19th. His physicians refused to express an opinion further than that he was not in imminent danger.

Two travelers, with several pack horses, on the 19th, fell 3,000 feet from the trail between Montecase and Gold Reef, Wyo., meeting death on the rocks below. The men's names were not known.

It was decided, on the 19th, to ask congress to make an appropriation of \$1,500,000 during the present session, to be expended in beginning the work of making the two Kansas cities safe from floods.

Jacob Hess, formerly police commissioner and for many years a power in New York city politics, died, on the 19th, at his home in Rye, N. Y.

Glencoe Bays, a negro, was burned at the stake, on the 19th, near Crosses, Ark., on the charge of murdering J. D. Stephens, of Asher, Ark.

The chemical laboratory at the Ohio State university at Columbus was destroyed by fire on the 19th. The loss was \$100,000.

Fifteen thousand miners in Indiana suspended work at noon, on the 19th, in respect to the memory of Senator Hanna.

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Missouri State Gleanings.

CONVICT WAS RECAPTURED.

Negro Prisoner Made During Escape, But Was Caught Again by a Farmer.

Andrew Washington, a negro convict, sent to the penitentiary from Buchanan county to serve nine years on three counts for burglary, of which sentence eighteen months had expired, made his escape from that institution, but was recaptured and returned to the prison. Washington was employed in the Bruns Shoe Co.'s shops, and, on leaving the shops, he managed to get into a large storm buggy standing within the prison walls without attracting notice.

His absence was not discovered until the cell count of the penitentiary's inmates was made, and then a search for him was instituted, but without discovering his whereabouts. When the buggy was driven out of the inclosure that night by Ed Dulle, a member of the Bruns Company, the vehicle contained, beside a cargo of bundles, the negro convict, who dared scarce to breathe lest his presence be detected.

When the outskirts of the city were reached the negro left the conveyance and took his way to the adjoining timber. During the night he entered a farmhouse nearly ten miles from town, where he stole a suit of clothes.

Next morning the farmer discovered his loss, and, while going to the next town to report it, captured the convict attired in his apparel. He took him prisoner, bringing him back to the penitentiary, and received the standing state reward of \$25 upon delivering the man to the warden.

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Two Convicted of Murder.

Price Edwards was convicted in the circuit court upon a charge of murder in the first degree. He was charged with the murder of an old man, Joe Buckner, near Wentzville, on April 12. His partner, Allen Henderson, was found guilty of murder in the first degree the day before. Buckner was shot while standing in his own door, after which the house was burned to the ground. Neither jury was out an hour in returning a verdict. Notwithstanding all parties are colored people, a great deal of interest was manifested in the case by the people. Buckner was the father-in-law of Edwards, and the principal witnesses against Edwards were his own daughters, who heard the plot made by their father to murder the grandfather.

Accidentally Killed Himself.

Andrew Coleman, of Valley Park, St. Louis county, was shot and instantly killed by the discharge of a shotgun in his own hands. Coleman had been watching an alleged horse thief, who had been captured the night before, and was returning to his home about 8 o'clock in the morning. When within ten feet of the house he slipped on the sleet and both barrels of his gun were discharged. The shot entered Coleman's left breast. Members of his family, who witnessed the tragedy, hastened to his side immediately, but he was dead. Coleman was 40 years old, married and the father of a family. He lived in St. Louis county nearly all his life, and was prominent in politics.

He Found Joplin's Wealth.

Elliott R. Moffet, aged 76 years, died at his home in Crystal Springs, Ark. Mr. Moffet had the distinction of sinking the first shaft in the Joplin lead and zinc district. He came to Joplin in 1879 and put down a shaft in what is known now as East Joplin. A rich body of lead ore was found at a depth of 45 feet, and the mine formed the foundation for an immense fortune for Mr. Moffet, who at that time was without any financial resources. Mr. Moffet built the lead smelter in Joplin which is now operated by the Picher Leland company, and was instrumental in the building of the first railroad into Joplin, which is now a branch of the Frisco.

Judge Bradshaw Dead.

Judge Joseph Bradshaw, of Lewis county, died at the age of 72 years. He came with his parents to this country when 4 years old. He crossed the plains in the early fifties, returning home by way of Panama. In 1880 he was elected associate judge of the county court, and six years later was promoted to the position of presiding judge, which office he held for twelve years, making eighteen years continuous service. During this time he did not miss a meeting of the court, although it was necessary for him to make a trip of eighteen miles overland once each month. He was a prominent factor in county politics.

Will Erect a New Building.

Action has been taken in Mexico toward the erection of a \$15,000 Y. M. C. A. building, and a committee on ways and means has been appointed. The pulpits at the different Protestant churches in the city were given up for use by speakers of the Y. M. C. A., there being services morning, afternoon and night.

Identified by a Wart.

Detective John Wilson arrived in St. Joseph from El Paso, Tex., the other day, with Roscoe St. Clair Ellis, formerly manager of the Rorick department store, by which concern he is accused of embezzling \$450. He was identified by the El Paso authorities by means of a large wart on the index finger of his right hand.

Big Blaze in St. Louis.

In St. Louis a brick factory building at the northeast corner of Fifteenth and Poplar streets, occupied by the Willbrandt Surgical Instrument Co., the Goodfellow-Brooks Shoe Co., and the Belle Hickney Manufacturing Co., was destroyed by a fire of unknown origin, entailing a loss of \$150,000.

Black Horse Trooper Dead.

Maj. H. A. Ricketts, aged 68, died at Mexico of heart disease. He was a major in the Black Horse cavalry of Virginia, the flower of the Confederate force. He was a prominent figure in business circles at Mexico for many years, being for a long time president of the Southern bank.

Engineer Loses an Eye.

John Dougherty, an engineer on the Chicago & Alton railroad, had the sight of his left eye destroyed by the bursting of a glass water gauge while in charge of a special freight train near the town of Shackleford. Dougherty is married and lives at Slater.

Elevator Burned.

The Missouri & Kansas Grain Co.'s elevator at Neosho was burned. A large amount of grain and feed was destroyed. The loss is mostly covered by insurance. The fire originated in the engine-room.

Piano Salesman in Trouble.

E. E. Harland, a traveling salesman for a Huntsville piano house, was arrested at Macon. He is charged with obtaining money under false pretenses.

Baptist Minors Galled.

Baptist minors, charged with murdering Vincent Gosser, was found guilty by a jury at Lexington and sentenced to ten years imprisonment.

New Grant Indictments.

New indictments for grafting in the sale of supplies to the city have been returned by the St. Louis grand jury against J. P. Holden and W. Scholl.

An Offer From Springfield.

Rev. J. N. George, president of the Chicago theological seminary, has been asked to accept the presidency of Drury college at Springfield, Mo.

Bride Wedded to a Partner.

A Joplin wedding failed to materialize because of the mysterious disappearance of the intended bride, Miss Bessie McCombs.

Death of H. T. Buckler.

H. T. Buckler, aged 57, died of heart failure at his home south of Sturgeon. He was well known in Boone county.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

A Jealous Lover's Deed.

For love of a girl, John Cluck shot and killed Rolla Smiley and then sent a bullet into his own brain at Rockville. Cluck will die. The shooting occurred at the home of John Maddox, in the presence of the fair one for whose hand both the youths were suitors.

They had been paying constant attention to the girl for some time, and the rivalry between them was not a whit lessened because of an old grudge. The climax came when they met at the Maddox home. After some heated words, they agreed to fight out their differences with weapons. Smiley, not being armed, said he would go for a revolver. When he left the house Cluck shot him. The ball passed through the heart and Smiley sank to the ground dead. Cluck, seeing what he had done, seized the girl in his arms, implanted a kiss upon her lips, and then fired a shot into her own brain. The ball entered his right eye, over the left ear. He fell at the feet of the girl, who was in hysterics when help came. Both the young men were about 20 years old and always had borne good reputations.

Corn Prizes Awarded.

The prize for the best display of corn by counties at the Missouri World's fair commission corn show, in St. Louis, was awarded to Lewis county by Col. E. E. Chester, of Champaign, Ill., who had been selected by the commission to make all awards. C. O. Rame, of Canton, was the representative of Lewis county who selected and installed the county exhibit. The second prize was awarded to Atchison county and the third to Pettis county. The Midland Manufacturing Co. of Tarkio represented the former and G. H. Shepherd, of Lamont, the latter. In the contest for the best display of long corn, J. H. Wright, of Princeton, was awarded the prize. J. E. May, of Labadie, was given the prize for the best display of big corn. Mr. May's exhibit was 100 ears of the Franklin county "cob pipe" corn.

The St. Louis Police Force.

Instead of 500 new policemen for the World's fair period, as at first planned by the board of police commissioners, it is now probable that the St. Louis force will be increased by at least 1,000 newly-fledged bluecoats. The change has been made, it is stated, as a result of a comparison with the methods adopted by the Chicago police force during the exposition there. Chicago, it is said, found it needed 1,000 extra police to look after the crowds and safeguard the city during the fair.

Cure For Hog Cholera.

After experimenting for three years, Dr. R. E. Graham, recent bacteriologist of the state university, has announced that hog cholera can be cured by inoculation, the same as Texas fever among cattle. One hundred hogs were recently inoculated with a serum and then exposed to the disease, and none was infected. Several hogs that had cholera were cured by inoculation.

To Play at World's Fair.

The band of the Grenadier guards, London, has been granted permission to play at the St. Louis World's fair, and two concerts daily for a period of six weeks, beginning August 29, will be given by this famous organization. It is one of the finest military bands in England, has sixty-five pieces and gorgeous uniforms.

Death of Alfred C. Shoup.

Alfred C. Shoup, aged 51, died at Jefferson City. He was a veteran newspaper man, having been manager of the Jefferson City State Tribune from 1884 until 1898, and served a term as mayor on the democratic ticket. In his newspaper capacity he was well known to many public men.

Robbed His Employers.

Paul Krowl, a shipping clerk for a grocery and liquor firm, was arrested in St. Louis on the charge of robbing his employers. His cellar was found to be packed with fine liquors and canned goods.

Apply to Jesse.

Dr. Jesse, president of the Missouri state university, is preparing to supply information upon the Cecil Rhodes scholarships, which are open to students of the United States.

Kinloch Increases Capital Stock.

The Kinloch long distance telephone company of Missouri filed notice with the recorder of deeds in St. Louis of an increase of capital stock from \$300,000 to \$500,000.

Rev. Fr. Joseph G. Zealand.

Rev. Father Joseph G. Zealand, S. J., who last October celebrated the golden jubilee of his priesthood, died at his apartments at the St. Louis university aged 72 years.

One Way to Make Money.

Walter Rinder was arrested in St. Louis on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses by renting a flat to all who applied and collecting advance money.

Blaze at Plattsburg.

Fire was discovered in the Laclede hotel at Plattsburg, but prompt action of the fire department extinguished the flames after a loss of about \$2,000.

Three Years For Manslaughter.

Fleetwood Gordon, who killed Hugo Doelling, was found guilty of manslaughter by a jury at Columbia and given two years in the penitentiary.

Clever Counterfeits.

A distributor of counterfeit one dollar bills has victimized many merchants in St. Joseph, and even the banks have been victimized.

Robert Ingersoll Plant Burns.

The concentrating plant of the Robert Ingersoll Mining Co., two miles east of Joplin, was destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$10,000.

Suspects His Nephew.

E. C. Shourds, of St. Louis, has notified the police that he suspects his nephew of the theft of \$955 worth of jewels from his home.

Japan Will Take It.

Japan has made application for all the space at the St. Louis World's fair made vacant by Russia's withdrawal.

WAR IN BALKANS IS IMPENDING

Turkish Minister Says Hostilities Can Not Much Longer Be Averted.

HE BLAMES THE BULGARIANS

Says Inhabitants in Macedonia Are Doing Everything Possible to Annoy and Harass the Imperial Government.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Chekib Bey, the Turkish minister at Washington, believes war in the Balkans is impending. In a conversation the minister Monday said:

"Illness has prevented my transmitting heretofore an important communication which I received from my government several days ago about the reported trouble in the Rumanian provinces. I hope to see the secretary of state some time this week and have a conference with him on this subject.

"To correct the false impression which has already, I fear, gained ground in this country about the attitude of my country toward the reforms in Rumania, I shall give you the substance of the cablegram from my foreign office. It is to this effect:

"The porte most strenuously denounces as maliciously false the reports which have been given wide circulation in certain European papers that trouble is brewing in Rumania because of the failure of the imperial government to carry out the promised reforms there. The facts in the case are that the imperial government is fulfilling to the letter its pledges, reforms are being vigorously inaugurated and there is no trouble brewing in that section as reported."

Of the Balkan situation, Chekib Bey who has had considerable experience in that section, said:

"Although my advice are meager the news I get indicate that the Bulgarians are assuming an attitude and pursuing a course to which it will be impossible for the imperial government to submit much longer with patience. It is reported that they are arming the inhabitants, stirring up strife in Macedonia and doing everything possible to harass the imperial government. I hope this is not true but if reports be true, hostilities in the Balkans can not much longer be averted."

POWERS WILL NOT INTERFERE.

Russia, Austria and Germany Have Agreed to Hands Off Policy.

Berlin, Feb. 23.—According to information received from an excellently-informed quarter, Russia, Austria and Germany have agreed on a policy of noninterference, should Turkey attack Bulgaria. They have further agreed not to consider such hostilities as war, but as justifiable suppression of rebellion on the part of Turkey as Bulgaria's suzerain.

It is understood that Turkey will not be permitted to seize any Bulgarian territory, but after the Bulgarians have been punished, Austria will be instructed with the policing of Macedonia in the same manner as the Berlin congress gave it administrative power over Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Emperor William is quoted as saying on a recent occasion: "Why does not Turkey wage in and give the Bulgarians a sound thrashing?"

UNSUCCESSFUL JAIL BREAK.

Seven Life Convicts in New Mexico Prison Cut and Overpower Keeper, But Fail to Escape.

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 23.—Seven life convicts at the New Mexico penitentiary Monday overpowered Acting Superintendent R. C. Garrett and cut him with a knife because he would not give up the combination to the armory. They were subdued by the guards before they could accomplish their apparent purpose to seize the wives and children of the penitentiary officials and use them as shields.

REQUISITION REFUSED.

Gov. Mickey of Nebraska Declined to Honor Gov. Yates' Request for Return of W. S. Snyder.

Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 23.—Gov. Mickey Monday refused to honor the requisition of Gov. Yates of Illinois for the return from Plattsmouth, Neb., to Chicago, of W. S. Snyder, under indictment on the charge of assault with intent to kill his wife. Snyder's attorney represented to Gov. Mickey that the requisition was simply to get him into the jurisdiction of the Illinois courts that alimony might be collected from him.

Died at the Age of 105.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—Mrs. Rose Israel, who was said to be the oldest woman in Chicago, having passed her one hundred and fifth birthday, was buried Monday.

FRILLS OF FASHION.

Light-toned velvets are much in demand for ball gowns.

Ribbons will be extensively used for millinery purposes this spring.

There will be a golden gleam to all the trimmings of the coming season.

In the newest fur trim